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Office of Personnel Management

5 CFR Part 532

RIN 3206-AM70

Prevailing Rate Systems; Redefinition of the St. Louis, MO; Southern Missouri;

Cleveland, OH; and Pittsburgh, PA, Appropriated Fund

Federal Wage System Wage Areas

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Office of Personnel Management is issuing a final rule to redefine the geographic boundaries of the St. Louis, MO; Southern Missouri; Cleveland, OH; and Pittsburgh, PA, appropriated fund Federal Wage System (FWS) wage areas. The final rule redefines Bollinger, Cape Girardeau, and Perry Counties, MO, from the Southern Missouri wage area to the St. Louis wage area and Mercer County, PA, from the Pittsburgh wage area to the Cleveland wage area. These changes are based on recent consensus recommendations of the Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee to best match the counties proposed for redefinition to a nearby FWS survey area. This final rule makes two additional corrections. It renames the Champaign-Urbana, IL, wage area as the Central Illinois wage area and updates the name of the White Sands Proving Ground in the Albuquerque, NM, and El Paso, TX, wage areas to White Sands Missile Range.

DATES: This regulation is effective on [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 15, 2012, the U.S. Office of Personnel

Management (OPM) issued a proposed rule (77 FR 68073) to redefine Bollinger, Cape Girardeau, and Perry Counties, MO, from the Southern Missouri wage area to the St. Louis wage area and Mercer County, PA, from the Pittsburgh wage area to the Cleveland wage area. These changes are based on recent consensus recommendations of the Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee to best match the above counties to a nearby FWS survey area.

This final rule makes two additional corrections. It renames the Champaign-Urbana, IL, wage area as the Central Illinois wage area and updates the name of the White Sands Proving Ground in the Albuquerque, NM, and El Paso, TX, wage areas to White Sands Missile Range. These corrections do not affect the pay of any FWS employees.

The proposed rule had a 30-day comment period during which OPM received no comments.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

I certify that these regulations will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities because they will affect only Federal agencies and employees.

List of Subjects in 5 CFR Part 532

Administrative practice and procedure, Freedom of information, Government employees, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Wages.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

John Berry,
Director.

Accordingly, the U.S. Office of Personnel Management amends 5 CFR part 532 as

follows:

PART 532--PREVAILING RATE SYSTEMS

1. The authority citation for part 532 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 5343, 5346; § 532.707 also issued under 5 U.S.C. 552.

Appendix A to Subpart B of Part 532—[Amended]

2. In appendix A to subpart B of part 532, under the State of Illinois, revise

“Champaign-Urbana” wage area to read “Central Illinois”.

3. In appendix C to subpart B of part 532, under the State of Illinois, revise “Champaign-Urbana” wage area to read “Central Illinois”, and revise the wage area listings for the St. Louis, MO; Southern Missouri; Albuquerque, NM; Cleveland, OH; Pittsburgh, PA, and El Paso, TX, wage areas to read as follows:

Appendix C to Subpart B of Part 532—Appropriated Fund Wage and Survey Areas

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MISSOURI

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St. Louis

Survey Area

Illinois:

Clinton
Madison
Monroe
St. Clair

Missouri: (city)

St. Louis

Missouri: (counties)

Franklin
Jefferson

St. Charles
St. Louis

Area of Application. Survey area plus:

Illinois:

Alexander
Bond
Calhoun
Clay
Effingham
Fayette
Franklin
Greene
Hamilton
Jackson
Jefferson
Jersey
Johnson
Macoupin
Marion
Massac
Montgomery
Morgan
Perry
Pike
Pope
Pulaski
Randolph
Saline
Scott
Union
Washington
Wayne
Williamson

Missouri:

Audrain
Bollinger
Boone
Callaway
Cape Girardeau
Clark
Cole
Crawford
Gasconade
Knox

Lewis
Lincoln
Marion
Moniteau
Monroe
Montgomery
Osage
Perry
Pike
Ralls
Randolph
St. Francois
Ste. Genevieve
Scotland
Shelby
Warren
Washington

Southern Missouri

Survey Area

Missouri:
Christian
Greene
Laclede
Phelps
Pulaski
Webster

Area of Application. Survey area plus:

Kansas:
Cherokee
Crawford
Missouri:
Barry
Barton
Benton
Butler
Camden
Carter
Cedar
Dade
Dallas
Dent

Douglas
Hickory
Howell
Iron
Jasper
Lawrence
Madison
Maries
Miller
Mississippi
Morgan
New Madrid
Newton
Oregon
Ozark
Polk
Reynolds
Ripley
St. Clair
Scott
Shannon
Stoddard
Stone
Taney
Texas
Vernon
Wayne
Wright

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NEW MEXICO

Albuquerque

Survey Area

New Mexico:
Bernalillo
Sandoval

Area of Application. Survey area plus:

New Mexico:
Catron
Cibola

Colfax
 Curry
 De Baca
 Guadalupe
 Harding
 Lincoln (Does not include White Sands Missile Range portion)
 Los Alamos
 Mora
 Quay
 Rio Arriba
 Roosevelt
 San Miguel
 Santa Fe
 Socorro (Does not include White Sands Missile Range portion)
 Taos
 Torrance
 Union
 Valencia

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OHIO

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Cleveland

Survey Area

Ohio:

Cuyahoga
 Geauga
 Lake
 Medina

Area of Application. Survey area plus:

Ohio:

Ashland
 Ashtabula
 Carroll
 Columbiana
 Erie
 Huron
 Lorain
 Mahoning

Ottawa
Portage
Sandusky
Seneca
Stark
Summit
Trumbull
Wayne
Pennsylvania:
Mercer

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PENNSYLVANIA

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Pittsburgh

Survey Area

Pennsylvania:
Allegheny
Beaver
Butler
Washington
Westmoreland

Area of Application. Survey area plus:

Ohio:
Belmont
Harrison
Jefferson
Tuscarawas
Pennsylvania:
Armstrong
Bedford
Blair
Cambria
Cameron
Centre
Clarion
Clearfield
Clinton

Crawford
 Elk (Does not include the Allegheny National Forest portion)
 Erie
 Fayette
 Forest (Does not include the Allegheny National Forest portion)
 Greene
 Huntingdon
 Indiana
 Jefferson
 Lawrence
 Potter
 Somerset
 Venango
 West Virginia:
 Brooke
 Hancock
 Marshall
 Ohio

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TEXAS

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El Paso

Survey Area

New Mexico:
 Dona Ana
 Otero
 Texas:
 El Paso

Area of Application. Survey area plus:

New Mexico:
 Chaves
 Eddy
 Grant
 Hidalgo
 Lincoln (Only White Sands Missile Range portion)
 Luna
 Sierra
 Socorro (Only White Sands Missile Range portion)

Texas:
Culberson
Hudspeth

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